

IN THE SPECIFICATION

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The present invention relates to a process for the partial thermochemical vacuum treatment of metallic workpieces ~~according to the preamble of claim 1~~ and an apparatus therefor ~~according to the preamble of claim 22.~~

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The aforementioned object is solved with the process specified in the introduction in accordance with the invention by the features in the characterising part of claim 1, and in the apparatus according to the present invention specified by the features in the characterising parts of claim 22.

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